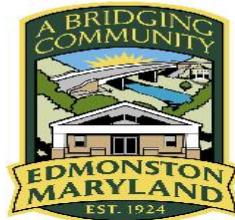


EDMONSTON NEWS



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From the Mayor's Desk

Holiday Greetings from the Mayor,



2014 has been a blessed year for the Town of Edmonston and its residents. We have had a number of successful and wonderful community events throughout the year. These have included Black History Month Celebration, National Night out Against Crime, Port Towns Day, Halloween Party, and the annual Thanksgiving basket giveaway. Edmonston Day and the parade will be a tradition that will continue to grow and thrive for years to come. We will conclude the year with the annual Children's Christmas Party at the Recreation Center on December 18 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. All of these activities would not be possible without the dedicated service of our Town staff, Town Council members and the many community volunteers.

The Town of Edmonston continues to be committed to our Sustainable Maryland Certified Municipal Program. We were recognized for our efforts to reduce energy

consumption by the Maryland Smart Energy Communities Program. We have a very active Green Team group of volunteers that promote sustainable programs in our Town. In recognition of healthy eating and active living,

Edmonston was recognized as a member of the inaugural class of HEAL cities and towns in Maryland.

We had many community volunteers assist with Edmonston Day, National Night out against Crime, "Clean Up, Green Up" and other activities during the year. We had over 150 students from the University of Maryland volunteer in our Town to pick up litter and to assist Community Forklift and Eco City Farms with various projects. We are excited about what 2015 will bring. I would encourage you to take advantage of the many volunteer opportunities throughout Edmonston. If you are interested in getting involved with one of the many activities or committees within the Town, please contact our offices and let us know.

I hope each of you have a wonderful Holiday Season. Enjoy festive times with friends and families and be safe during the holidays. Thank you for being a resident of our Town and thank you for allowing me to

serve as your Mayor. We are truly a bridging community.

Happy Holidays!

Mayor Tracy Gant

Desde el Escritorio del la Alcaldesa

Saludos Navideños de la Alcaldesa,
El 2014 ha sido un año lleno de bendiciones para el Pueblo y los residentes de Edmonston. Hemos tenido una serie de eventos exitosos y maravillosos durante todo el año. Estos han incluido la Celebración de la Historia Afro- Americana, Noche Nacional Contra el Crimen, el Día de los Port Towns, Fiesta de Brujas y la regalía de las cestas de Acción de Gracias. El día de Edmonston y el desfile será una tradición que continuará creciendo y prosperando en los años venideros. Vamos a concluir el año con la fiesta de Navidad para los niños en el Centro de Recreación el 18 de diciembre. Todas estas actividades no sería posible sin la dedicación de nuestro personal, los miembros del Consejo y los muchos voluntarios comunitarios.

La ciudad de Edmonston sigue comprometido con el Programa de Certificación Sostenible de Maryland. Fuimos reconocidos por nuestros esfuerzos en reducir el consumo energético por el programa de Comunidades Energía Inteligente de Maryland. Tenemos un Equipo de voluntario Verde muy activa que promueven programas sostenibles en

nuestra ciudad. En reconocimiento de la alimentación saludable y una vida activa,

Edmonston fue reconocido como miembro de la clase inaugural de HEAL en Maryland.

Tuvimos muchos voluntarios comunitarios ayudando durante la celebración del Día de Edmonston, Noche Nacional Contra el Crimen, "Clean Up, Green Up" y otras actividades durante el año.

Tuvimos más de 150 estudiantes voluntarios de la Universidad de Maryland en nuestra ciudad que ayudaron a recoger basura y ayudaron Comunidad Forklift y Eco City Farms con varios proyectos. Estamos muy entusiasmados con lo que traerá el 2015. Les animo a tomar ventaja de las muchas oportunidades de voluntariado en Edmonston. Si usted está interesado en participar con una de las muchas actividades o comités por favor póngase en contacto con nuestras oficinas y háganos saber.

Espero que cada uno de ustedes pasen una maravillosa época de Navidades. Disfrute de momentos festivos con amigos y familiares y estar a salvo durante las vacaciones. Gracias por ser un residente de nuestra Ciudad y gracias por permitirme servir como su Alcaldesa.

Somos realmente una comunidad de unida.

¡Felices
Pascuas!

Su amiga y
vecina,

Tracy Gant,
Alcaldesa



Special Recognition

The Mayor and Town Council express their gratitude and appreciation to Mr. Richard Thrift, owner of Thrifty Iron Works.

Thrifty has been a supporter of the annual Thanksgiving food basket drive and has contributed to the success of the program.

For this and many other reasons we thank you and hope to continue counting on your partnership for future events.



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Green Holiday Guide

The Edmonston Green Team wishes you all a very happy & green holiday season. Below are some tips from our team for keeping the holidays green, consider trying them out this year!

- Recycle wrapping paper instead of throwing it in the trash; fold and store gift bags to use again next year.
- Compost your holiday tree and wreaths.
- Make Your Own Wrapping Paper:
 - Use brown filler paper from Amazon and other online store packages or the inside of brown paper grocery bags.
 - Decorate with your favorite holiday designs - a fun project for any age!
 - Cut an old sponge into holiday shapes, dip into bright paint, and stamp the paper. Allow to dry before using.
- Turn off your holiday lights during the day and when you go to sleep to save energy and lengthen the life of your lights.
- Reuse the fronts of old holiday cards as gift tags; cut into creative shapes.
- If purchasing new holiday lights, opt for higher-efficiency LED lights.

Guía de Fiestas Verdes

El equipo verde de Edmonston, les desea a todos una feliz y verde Navidad. A continuación les damos algunos consejos útiles para la época.

- Recicle el papel de regalo- en vez de echarlo a la basura, doble y guarde las bolsas de regalo para el próximo año.
- Recicle el arbolito y las coronas navideñas.
- Haz tu propio papel de regalo:

- Usa el papel marón que viene dentro de la cajas de envío o la parte de adentro de las bolsas de papel.
- Decora los regalos con sus diseños favoritos – diversión para todas las edades.
- Corta una esponja en formas festivas, remojarlas en pintura y estampa el papel con las figuras. (dejarlo que se seque bien antes de usar).
- Apague las luces navideñas durante el día y al acostarse por las noches para ahorrar energía y alargar la vida de las luces.
- Reutilice las tarjetas postales – cortándolas en figuras navideñas como etiquetas de regalo.
- Si vas a comprar luces navideñas- opte por las que son LED.

Message from our Code Enforcement Officer

RENTERS

Are you renting a house or an apartment? Do you believe your landlord is not as responsive to your concerns or problems as you would like? Are you having problems with basic functions in your home like faucets, electrical, heat or AC, hot/cold water, bugs or rodents? Are you still having a problem with mosquitoes? Do you have concerns about parking, and excessive noise?

PLEASE contact us. If you have a problem with any of the above or even something that was not mentioned, WE



WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Part of our Code Enforcement program is to assist you, our residents, and the best way that we can to insure you have a comfortable living environment. If you don't get the response to these problems that you deserve from your landlord we want to know so that we may assist you.

Everyone deserves a comfort level, as free as possible from the potential problems listed above, but we can't address them with a landlord if we don't know about them. We are here to help, call us and allow us to help you.

Un mensaje de nuestro Oficial de la Aplicación del Código

INQUILINOS

¿Usted está alquilando una casa o un apartamento? ¿Usted cree el propietario no está atento a sus preocupaciones o problemas como usted quisiera? ¿Tiene en su hogar problemas con el funcionamiento básico como los grifos goteando, eléctrico, calor o agua caliente/fría, los insectos o los roedores? ¿Usted tiene preocupaciones de estacionamiento, o ruido excesivo?



POR FAVOR, avísanos. ¡Si usted tiene un problema alguno de lo antes mencionado, o aún con algo que no fue mencionado DESEAMOS OÍR DE USTED!

Parte de nuestro programa de aplicación del código es asistir, a nuestros residentes, de la mejor manera para asegurar que tenemos un ambiente cómodo en donde vivir. Si usted no consigue la respuesta a estos problemas de parte del propietario, deseamos saber así ver de qué modo poderles ayudar.

Cada uno merece un nivel de comodidad, libre de problemas potenciales que están mencionados arriba, pero no pueden ser tratarlos con el propietario, si no sabemos sobre ellos. Estamos aquí para ayudarlos, llámenos y permítanos ayudarles.

Edmonston Crime Stats'

The following is a list of activities officers initiated in which they received a call requesting service or assistance for the months of September and October 2014

Police Department Activity	Sept. 2014	Oct. 2014
Criminal, Traffic & Warrant Svc Arrests	10	3
Traffic Arrests (other than DWI)	2	0
Drive While Intoxicated Arrests	2	1

Maryland Moving Violations Issued	193	134
Parking Citations	117	114
Recovered Stolen Autos	2	1
Traffic Violation Warnings	132	124
Vehicle Impounds	62	47
Vehicle Safety Repair Orders	50	36
Please note not all calls for service result in written reports		
Calls for accidents	3	8
Armed Suspects	0	1
Assaults	1	0
Assist Fire Dept/Other Agency/Code Enforcement	54	39
Burglar Alarms	3	2
Breaking & Entering Residential	1	0
Breaking & Entering Commercial	0	0
Carjacking	0	0
Check on Welfare of Resident	3	1
Customer Dispute Call	6	8
Death Investigation Call	1	0
Disorderly Persons	7	1
Domestic Disturbance	2	4
Fight in Progress	2	2
Hold up Alarm	0	0

Homicide	0	0
Identity Theft	0	0
Juvenile Complaints	0	0
Landlord Tenant Dispute	1	0
Loud Noise Complaint	2	4
Robbery	0	0
Calls for Sounds of Gunshots	0	4
Stolen Auto	1	4
Suspicious Persons	1	4
Suspicious Vehicles	4	5
Theft Reports	3	3
Calls for Unknown Trouble	1	0
Vandalism	1	0
Calls for 911 Hang-ups	0	3
Miscellaneous	<u>60</u>	<u>38</u>
Total Calls for Service	157	135

CODE ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY	CURRENT MONTH
	TOTAL
Business License Issue	0
Rental License	0
Verbal Warnings Issued	2
Parking Tickets Issued	15
Municipal Citations Issued	1
Enforcement / Warning Letters or Notices Issued	30

Citizens Contact Complaints or Assistance	45
Stop Work Orders Issued	2
Animal Complaints Investigated	1
Successful Compliances	6
Ongoing / Follow-up Investigations / Enforcement	30
Impounded Vehicles	2
Abatements	0
TOTAL ACTIONS TAKEN	134

Department of Public Works

Our Public Works Department would like to thank all residents who have cooperated in keeping vehicles out of the road way when there is a snow event.

During the last major storm our guys worked around the clock trying to maintain our streets accessibility. Our 2 man crew went up to 3. (Did you know one of our Code Enforcers is also good at plowing snow?)

We ask that if your street has not been cleaned in a timely matter, let us know. Please be patient, we are doing everything possible to get to your area.

Our Public Works, Code Enforcement as well as Police Department are here to provide you service. Remember while you are warm in your homes, they are out in the cold, on the street working for you!

Departamento de Obras Públicas

Nuestro departamento de obras públicas quisiera dar las gracias a todos los residentes cómo han cooperado en mantener los automóviles fuera de la carretera, cuando hay un evento de nieve.

Durante la última tormenta, nuestro equipo trabajo alrededor del reloj tratando de mantener nuestras calles accesibles. Nuestro equipo compuesto por 2 hombres logro convertirse en uno de 3. (¿Sabías que uno de nuestros agentes de código también es bueno en arando nieve?)

Le pedimos que si no se ha limpiado su calle, háganoslo saber. Por favor, tenga paciencia, estamos haciendo todo lo posible llegar a su área.

Nuestros departamentos de Obras Publicas, de Aplicación de Código y el de la Policía están para servirles. Recuerde que mientras usted se mantiene calentito en su hogar ellos están en el frío y en la nieve ellos trabajando para ti.

***The Department of Public Works
reminds you...***

The Department of Public Works will start picking up leaves throughout the Town, started on **Monday, November 3rd, 2014**. To make the process easy going for everyone please keep in mind these tips:

- Rake leaves to the curb or driveway. **DO NOT RAKE LEAVES INTO THE STREET.**
- Pile leaves away from cars and storm drains. The leaf vacuum cannot reach around cars.



- Keep your leaves free of any trash, bottles, rocks, or branches.

Piles of leaves with trash **will not be picked up.** It can damage the equipment, cause delays and may cause an injury to personnel operating



the machine.

- Noise and dust may be noticeable; dry conditions generate more dust. We apologize for any inconvenience.
- If the leaves are wet and heavy on the scheduled pickup day, they will not be picked up until dry conditions return.

**There Will Be No Leaf Collection when
The Town Hall Is Closed.**

Our leaves are taken to ECO-City farms to be used as compost.

**El Departamento de Obras Públicas
les recuerda...**

El Departamento de Obras Públicas comenzó a recoger hojas el lunes 4 de noviembre de 2014. Para hacer que este proceso sea llevadero para todos, le recordamos estas medidas:

- Acumule las hojas en la acera o la calzada. **NO LAS DEJE EN LA CALLE.**
- Acumule las hojas lejos de los autos y de los desagües pluviales. La aspiradora de hojas no puede alcanzar al rededor de los autos.
- Mantén su monto de hojas libre de basura, botellas, piedras o palos grandes.

Las acumulaciones de hojas con basura no serán recogidas. Puede dañar el equipo, provocar retrasos y

puede lesionar a los operarios de la maquina.

- El ruido y el polvo pueden ser notables. Las condiciones secas generan más polvo. Nos disculpamos por cualquier inconveniente.
- Si el día de recolección programado las hojas están húmedas y pesadas, no van a ser recogidas hasta que estén secas.

**Cuando el Ayuntamiento está cerrado
no Habrá Recolección de hojas.**

Kenilworth Ave. / MD 201 Project

A notice to proceed has been issued to the successful bidder for the State Highway Administration's **\$9.6 million roadway improvement project along MD 201**

**(Kenilworth Avenue)
from Kenilworth
Towers to Riverdale
Road. Weather
permitting, the work
should be complete
late fall 2016.**



This project will upgrade existing sidewalks, construct new sidewalks where there are none, provide bicycle compatibility, improve drainage, signing and signalization along MD 201, MD 769B (Edmonston Road), MD 796C (48th Street) and Tilden Road within the project limits. Additionally, SHA will:

- Construct ADA-compliant sidewalks and curb and gutter;
- Construct a shared use path;
- Install storm drain pipes, inlets and manholes;
- Perform roadway resurfacing;
- Perform signage, pavement marking and traffic/pedestrian signal upgrades;
- Replace bus shelter pads (concrete area on which a bus shelter sits);
- Perform water and sewage line work; and
- Construct medians

A start date for preliminary work has not been established. SHA will perform full elected/municipal official, community and media outreach prior to the start of the work.

To perform all phases of work through the completion of the project, crews are permitted to close one lane of traffic in both directions of MD 201, weekdays, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and overnight, Sunday through Thursday, 9 p.m. to 5 a.m.

We will continue to keep you updated on projects in your area. If you have any questions regarding this project, please contact Mr. Christopher Bishop, SHA District 3 Community Liaison at cbishop@sha.state.md.us or Ms. Shaneka Owens, Special Assistant to the District 3 Engineer at sowens3@sha.state.md.us.

Thank you,

Sabrina F. Mason

Community & Governmental Affairs
Specialist – District 3

It's A Girl's Thang

Calling All Girls Ages 11 to 15 years old

This program is designed to address many of the issues our young girls are confronted with and provide answers that will help them conquer their fears, anxieties and make them aware of what to expect concerning these issues.

Please encourage your child to join us on **Monday/Wednesday's** at the **Edmonston Recreation Center in** Edmonston, Maryland from **4:00 PM-7:00 PM.**

For the first meeting parent need to fill out an application and find out about the program.

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

- Puberty
- Depression
- Dealing with anger,
- Sibling rivalry
- Home alone
- Gossip and rumors, when friends fight, having crushes
- Dealing with death
- Smart spending
- Volunteering

About The Program

This program is designed to address some of the issues our young girls, ages 11-17, are faced with on a daily basis.

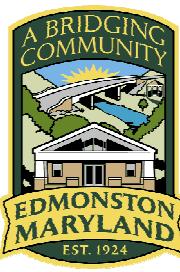
Many of our children are considered to be either latch key children, at home alone, or at home with siblings. Either way, they are left to fend for themselves, confronted with many issues that are left unanswered, and /or left in the dark because the parents have not informed them of what to expect or they are unaware that this is even an issue.

In any event, these young girls are left looking for attention, love and affection in the wrong places and from the wrong people at times. Their emotions are sheltered and this can be a contributing factor to their health. Emotions are on a

roller coaster ride and they tend to mimic those they come in contact with and /or are forced to act like those they feel threatened by or want to impress. These young girls are at a stage in their life where they are coming into being – in other words, finding out who they are and worrying about who they might become.

This program will also address some of the following topics which are open for discussion: puberty, depression, dealing with anger, dealing with death, sibling rivalry, home alone, gossip and rumors, when friends fight, having crushes, making money, smart spending, and volunteering.

For more information please contact:
Matilda McNeill (Ma Fanny) (240) 413-6168
or (240) 501-1732 (Ms. Nolwandle)



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TOWN OF EDMONSTON

Volunteer Sign up Form:

Have an idea you would like for the town to develop. Are you looking to be more involved in your community? Interested in joining part of our events committee? Then sign up for one of our many committees that are forming with intended to make our Town better.

Please fill out, sign and return this form to the Town hall.

Yes, I want to be more active in my community and I am interested in joining the following(s) committees:

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Edmonston Green Team | <input type="checkbox"/> Edmonston Business group |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation Council | <input type="checkbox"/> CERT team |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black History Month Team | <input type="checkbox"/> Neighbor watch |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Edmonston Gardening Club |

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Contact number(s): _____

Availability (please specify):

Weekdays: _____

Weekends: _____

Preferred time: _____

Edmonston's 2nd Annual Coat Drive

**Do you have coats that you don't need anymore?
Please donate them!**

Winter is here and there are people in our community who could use a nice warm coat.

Between November and December there will be a box at the Town Hall available for you to donate your gently-used coats. Adult and children's coats in all sizes will be accepted.

These coats will be distributed to anyone in need during the holiday season and until January 5th.

Please only donate clean, reusable coats!

¿Tendrás abrigos que no necesitas? ! Pues dónelas !

El invierno está aquí y hay gente en nuestra comunidad que podrían utilizar un buen abrigo.

Entre noviembre y diciembre habrá una caja disponible en la alcaldía para que usted pueda donar sus abrigos usados en buen estado. Se aceptarán abrigos de todos tamaños para adultos y niños.

Estos abrigos serán distribuidos a personas necesitadas durante la época navideña y hasta el 5 de enero.

! Por favor haga su donación de abrigos!

**Town of Edmonston
Holiday Hours**



Office will be closing at 12:00 pm on the
following dates:

Wednesday, December 24, 2014

Tuesday, December 30, 2014

Wednesday, December 31, 2014

Closed All DAY ON

Thursday and Friday

December 25-26, 2014

Thursday, January 1st, 2015

Town of Edmonston

Fiesta de Navidad

El Jueves, 18 de Diciembre de 2014

Desde las 6:00pm hasta 9:00pm en la
Centro Recreativo de Edmonston

5100 Tanglewood Dr.
Edmonston, Maryland

Holiday Party

Thursday, December 18th, 2014

From 6:00pm to 9:00pm at the
Edmonston Rec. Center

5100 Tanglewood Dr.
Edmonston, Maryland



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Public Works: Steve Ramsey

Thursday, December 18	Holiday Party	6pm
Wednesday December 24	Christmas Eve	Close at noon
December 25- 26	Christmas Holiday	Office Closed
Tuesday, December 30	Employee Lunch	Close at noon
Wednesday, December 31	New Year's Eve	Close at noon
Thursday, January 1	New Year's Day	Office Closed
Tuesday, January 13	Town Meeting	7pm

For Police Emergency, dial 911
Non-Emergency Line 301 352-1200
Police Department 301 699-8805

Chief Stephen E. Walker
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Crime Hotline
edmcrimehotline@edmonstonmd.gov

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acharrison@co.pg.md.us	
Foreclosures help	1-877-462-7555
www.mdhope.org	
Bladensburg Fire Dept	301 883-7709
www.BV9FD.com	
Bates Trash/ Bulk Trash	301 773-2069
Call-A- Bus	301 499-8603

PEPCO	202 833-7500
Power outages	1-877-737-2662
Wire Down Emergency	202 872-3432
Wash Gas Co	703 750-1000
If you smell gas	703 750-1400
WSSC	301 206-4002
Emergency	301 206-4002
Verizon Fios	1-888-881-8161
Comcast Cable	301 731-4260